AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A subcutaneous cavity marking device comprising:

at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies adapted to be inserted into a subcutaneous cavity created by the removal of tissue, wherein the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies are non-radioactive; and

at least one detectable non-radioactive marker affixed to a surface of or disposed within at least one of the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies to mark a particular section or sections of said cavity.

2. (Original) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker comprises a non-bioabsorbable material.

3. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 2 wherein the at least one marker comprises a material selected from the group consisting of platinum, iridium, nickel, tungsten, tantalum, gold, silver, rhodium, titanium, alloys thereof, and stainless steel.

4. (Original) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker comprises a bioabsorbable material.

5. (Original) The device of claim 4 wherein the bioabsorbable material comprises a polymer having a radiopaque additive.

6. (Original) The device of claim 5 wherein the radiopaque additive is selected from the group consisting of barium-containing compounds, bismuth-containing compounds, powdered tantalum, powdered tungsten, barium carbonate, bismuth oxide, and barium sulfate.

7. (Original) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker is radiopaque.

8. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies are radiopaque.

9. (Original) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker is echogenic.

10. (Previously presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies are echogenic.

11. (Original) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker is mammographic.

12. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies are mammographic.

13. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies are palpable.

14. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker is located within at least one of the at least two separate bioabsorbable bodies.

15. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker is substantially located about at least one of the at least two separate bioabsorbable bodies.

16. (Original) The device of claim 1 additionally comprising a pain killing substance.

17. (Original) The device of claim 1 additionally comprising a hemostatic substance.

18. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least two separately implantable bioabsorbable bodies comprise a material selected from the group consisting of collagen, regenerated cellulose, synthetic polymers, and synthetic proteins.

19. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker has a form of a sphere.

20. (Original) The device of claim 19 wherein the sphere is hollow.

21. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker has the form of a band.

22. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker comprises a suture.

23. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker comprises a wire.

24. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker has a distinguishing mark.

25. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker has the form of a barb.

26. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 1 wherein the at least one marker is woven to the at least at least one of the at least two separate bioabsorbable bodies.

27. (canceled)